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Honorable James H. Welsh
Commissioner of Conservation
P.O. Box 94275, Capitol Station
Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70804-9275

RE: M Sand, Reservoir B
14500' Sand, Reservoir A
MANILA VILLAGE FIELD
Jefferson Parish, Louisiana

Dear Sir:

Application is hereby made on behalf of Ascent Energy Inc. to the Commissioner of Conservation for the calling of a public hearing, after legal notice, to consider evidence relative to the issuance of an order pertaining to the following matters relating to the F-2 Sand Reservoir A in the Manila Village Field, Jefferson Parish, Louisiana.

1. To establish rules and regulations governing the exploration for and production of oil and gas from the M Sand Reservoir B in the Manila Village Field, Jefferson Parish, Louisiana.
2. To establish rules and regulations governing the exploration for and production of gas and condensate from the 14500' Sand Reservoir A in the Manila Village Field, Jefferson Parish, Louisiana.
3. To create a single drilling and production unit for the M Sand, Reservoir B and the 14500' Sand, Reservoir A all as shown on the plats attached hereto and made apart hereof.
4. To force pool and integrate all separately owned tracts, mineral leases and other property interests within the units so created, with each tract sharing in unit production on a surface acreage basis of participation.
5. To designate a unit operator and a unit well for the units so created.
6. To provide that any future replacement and/or substitute unit wells and alternate unit wells shall be exempt from the spacing provisions of Statewide Order No. 29-E.
7. To provide that the Commissioner may reclassify the reservoirs by Supplemental Order without the necessity of a public hearing should such reclassification be warranted, based on evidence furnished the Commissioner.
8. To discuss any other matters that may be pertinent to this application.

The M Sand Reservoir B, in the Manila Village Field is hereby defined as that oil and gas bearing sand encountered between the depths of 12674 and 12706' ELM in the Ascent Energy (Forman). – State Lease 4972 No. 1 (Serial No 213072) well located in Section 27, Township 18 South, Range 24 East, Jefferson Parish, Louisiana.

The 14500' Sand Reservoir A, in the Manila Village Field is hereby defined as that oil and gas bearing sand encountered between the depths of 14290' and 14396' ELM in the Ascent Energy – State Lease 4192 No. 7 (Serial No 227484) well located in Section 27, Township 18 South, Range 24 East, Jefferson Parish, Louisiana.

All pertinent data pertaining to the subject application can be PURCHASED from Cambe Geological Services, (504) 779-7367, 3337 N. Hullen St., Suite 200, Metairie, Louisiana 70002 and Chip LeBlanc of LEBLANC GEOLOGICAL INC., (504) 828-8700, 3500 N. Causeway Blvd., Suite 405, Metairie, La. 70002. The conference to discuss the proposed application will not be held as no request was received.

In addition to furnishing the legal notice to all Interested Parties, the applicant will provide for POSTING of the legal notice of the hearing and the unit plat in a prominent place in the area of Manila Village Field, Jefferson Parish, Louisiana. Also, the legal notice will be PUBLISHED in a newspaper of general circulation in the vicinity of the Manila Village Field, Jefferson Parish, Louisiana, at least fifteen (15) days prior to the hearing date.

There is attached hereto and made a part hereof plats outlining the proposed unit and a list of the names and addresses of the Interested Parties, Interested Owners and Represented Parties to whom this notice is being sent. Pursuant to the Revised Rules of Procedure, such list of Parties and plats are being furnished ONLY to the Commissioner of Conservation and to the District Manager of the Lafayette District Office of Conservation. However, the list is available upon request to any Interested Party requesting a copy. A diligent effort was made to ascertain the names and addresses of all such Parties as required by the Revised Rules of Procedure.

Finally, enclosed herewith is our check on behalf of the applicant, Ascent Energy, Inc., in the amount of \$1510.00 made payable to the Office of Conservation and representing the required hearing application fee.

Very truly yours,
LeBLANC GEOLOGICAL, INC.



Chip LeBlanc

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cc: Mr. Richard Hudson
Office of Conservation

Interested Parties, Interested Owners and Represented Parties



